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In re Application of  
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For: PET CARE PRODUCTS AND METHOD  
OF PROVIDING PET CARE PRODUCTS,  
SERVICES AND INFORMATION

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: DECISION NOTING JOINDER  
: OF INVENTOR AND PETITION  
: UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(b) MOOT  
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This is in response to the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a),  
filed July 15, 2002 and supplemented August 26, 2002.

In view of the joinder of the inventor, further consideration  
under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is not necessary and the petition is  
considered to be moot. This application does not have any Rule  
1.47(a) status and no such status should appear on the file  
wrapper. This application need not be returned to this Office for  
further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

This application is being forwarded to the Office of Initial  
Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision may be directed to  
the undersigned at (703) 305-0310.

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